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Applicant:

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PROCESS FOR STABILIZING THE pH OF A PULP SUSPENSION AND FOR PRODUCING

PAPER FROM THE STABILIZED PULP

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

A response to the Office action dated June 24, 2002 was forwarded to the U.S. Patent Office on December 23, 2002. An unexecuted Declaration of Hannu Leino accompanied the "Amendment C".

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231 on the date indicated below.

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Enclosed herewith is the executed Declaration of Hannu Leino for submission in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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